

DATE: July 29, 2004

TO: Interested Parties

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Department of Managed Health Care

Pursuant to Government Code section 11346.8(a), the Department of Managed Health Care (Department) has scheduled a public regulatory hearing on file # 2002-0018, Access to Needed Health Care Services.

The public hearing is scheduled to take place on August 16, 2004, at the following location: 980 9th Street, Suite 200 Conference Room A, Sacramento CA 95814.

The public hearing will begin promptly at 10 a.m. Public comments shall be limited to the subject of the text of the regulation and should be no more than five (5) minutes in length. The hearing may be brief depending on the number of speakers. The Department reserves the right to respond to comments and questions at a later time in writing.

Should you have questions or comments regarding the public hearing, you may contact Elaine Paniewski, Staff Service Analyst, Office of Legal Services, (916) 322-6727.

Individuals who require accommodations pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act are requested to contact Elaine Paniewski at least three days prior to the scheduled meeting date. TDD users may contact the Department at (877) 688-9891.

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